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Team Picatinny

Assigned/Direct Support Coordination

- Population 4,167
- 6,493 Acres
- 804 Buildings
- 64 Laboratories



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Garrison Commander



ASA, AL&T



JM&L LCMC



PEO Ammo/CG



PM MAS



PD JP



PM TAS



PM CAS



PM CCS



PD JS



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Other Tenants



PEO Soldier
|
PM Soldier
Weapons



PEO Integration
|
PM Lethality



PEO GCS
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PM JLW155



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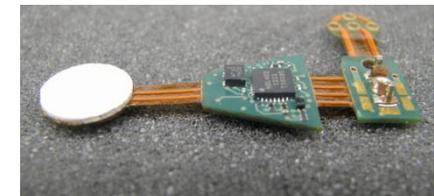
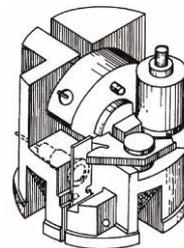
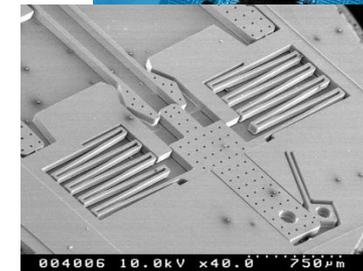
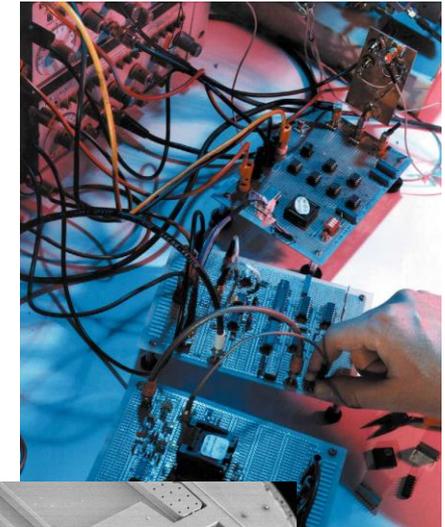
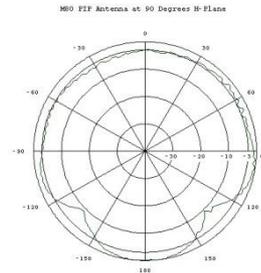




Fuze Division Expertise



- Low Cost Electronic Fuzing
- Advanced Signal Processing Algorithms
- MMIC Radar Transceivers
- RF Components Design & Testing
- Analog and Digital Circuit Design
- Fuze Testers (RF and IF Simulators)
- ECM Evaluation
- Ultra miniature fuzes
- Antenna design
- MEMS S&As
- Design for High G Launch Loads
- CAD/CAM Design and Layout
- Rapid Prototype Fabrication
- Power sources
- Fuze setters





Artillery Fuzes



Mortar Fuzes



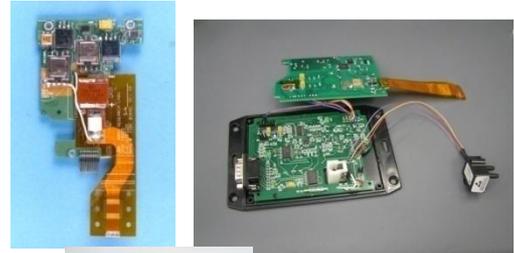
Medium Caliber Fuzes



Fuze Setters



Rockets & Missiles



Safe and Arm Devices



Hand Grenades



Tank Ammo





ARDEC Mission Life Cycle Engineering & Support



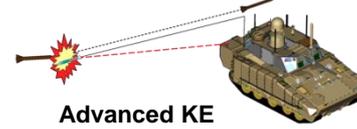
PAX 3



PAX 41



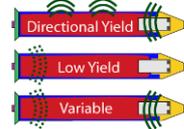
Common Smart Submunition



Advanced KE

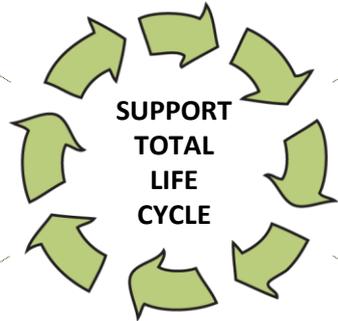


Excalibur

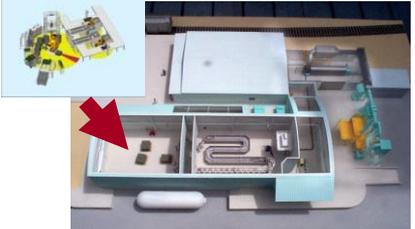


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Research & Development



Plasma Arc Furnace



Cryofracture

Demilitarization

Production



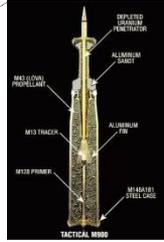
Lightweight Handheld Mortar Ballistic Computer



Lake City Army Ammunition Plant



Lightweight Dismounted Mortar



M900 Armor Piercing Cartridge

Field Support



Small/Cannon Caliber Ammunition



Dummy, Drilled, Inert



40mm Multi-Shot Launcher



M240B 7.62MM Machine Gun





S&T Thrust Areas

Advanced Fuze Setting



PIAFS



EPIAFS



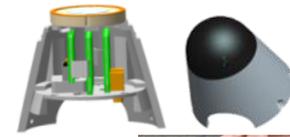
iPIK

Innovative Packaging Schemes
EM Modeling & Simulation
Complex data processing

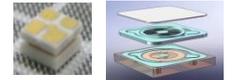


Next Generation of Advanced Munitions

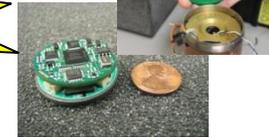
Launch & Target Sensing



Fuze Decision Logic



MEMS Acceleration / Impact Switch



Next Generation Prox Sensors



Target Media Sensing

Reduced logistical burden

Tailorable Effects

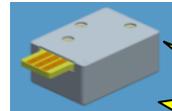
Enhanced Lethality

Army Challenge:
Create Operational Overmatch
(enhanced lethality & accuracy)

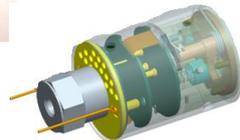
Advanced Safe & Arming



Rotor S&A



MEMS S&A

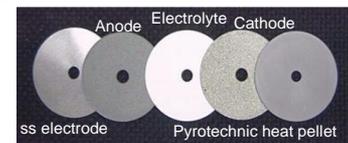


Electromechanical S&A

Scalable Effects

High Reliability

Novel Power & Energy



Pyrotechnic heat pellet



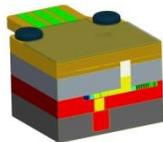
Thermals



Liquid Reserves

Energy Harvesters

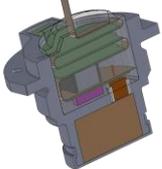
Advanced Warhead Initiation Schemes



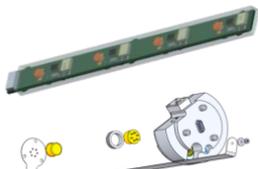
Microscale Firetrain



Miniature Firesets



Electronic Safe & Arm Devices



Low Cost Multipoint Initiation



Emerging & Maturing Technologies

(6.2 OSD Joint Fuze Technology Program)

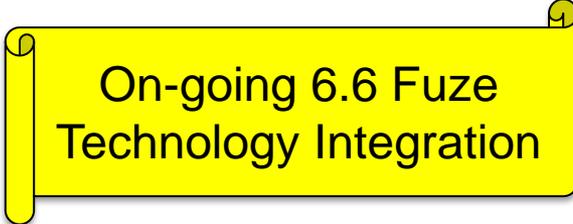
Target Classification Prox for Tailorable Whds
Nano-Foil Heated Thin Film Thermal Battery

(Current 6.3 OSD Joint Fuze Technology Program)

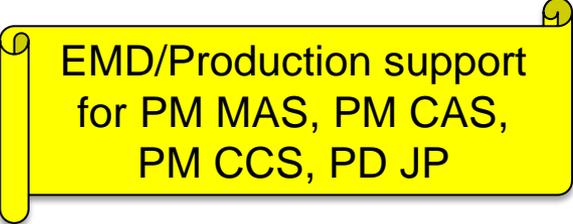
PGK IMX-101 Compatibility
Next Generation Proximity Sensor for Prox Fuzing
MEMS Retard & Impact Sensor

(RDECOM/ARDEC S&T Projects & Demonstrations)

Future Initiation, Target Detection, Fuze Setting, Power
Next Generation Prox Fuzing (*includes OSD sponsored DEF*)
Distributed Multi-point Initiation
Thin Film Power Sources
MEMS Impact Switch Target Sensing
Fuzing for Cluster Munition Replacement
120mm Guided Mortar
Low Volume and Low Power Prox
Direct Fire Prox Sensor - (Joint Non Lethal Dir)
Autonomous Target Sensing for Shoulder Fired
Airburst/PD and PD delay for Tank Ammo
Command Arm MEMS S&A w/ Prox for 40mm
Enhanced Multi-Purpose Grenade
Low cost air dropped precision guided munition
MEMS Safe & Arm Reliability & Manufacturing



On-going 6.6 Fuze
Technology Integration



EMD/Production support
for PM MAS, PM CAS,
PM CCS, PD JP





Next Generation Proximity Sensors

*A Joint Fuze Technology Program
ARDEC led with technical participation by AFRL, NAWC-W*

Advanced next-generation low cost sensor technologies to provide

- Enhanced battlefield performance
- Small form fit precision burst point control

Research in the area of:

- FMCW, Spread Spectrum, Stepped Frequency RADAR Systems
- Novel Digital Signal Processing Range Extraction Techniques
- Improved performance RF front ends for miniature sensors

Target Classification Sensors for Fuzing Applications

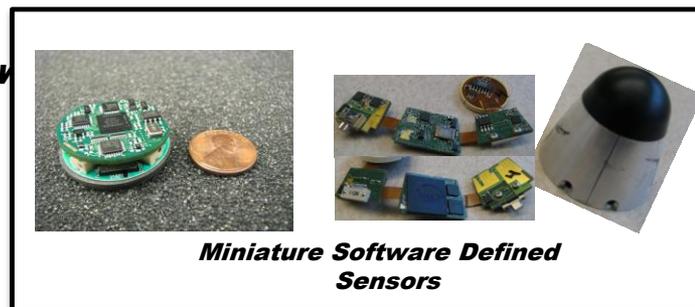
A Joint Fuze Technology Program

Advanced Simulation toolsets for prediction of FMCW data for complex targeting scenes

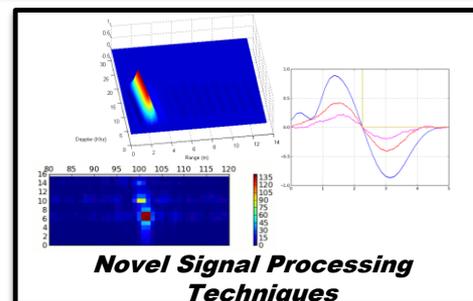
- Mesh based object / scene creation
- Shooting-Bouncing-Ray Solver
- Generation of IF return data for use in algorithm development and performance estimation

Classification Technique Research

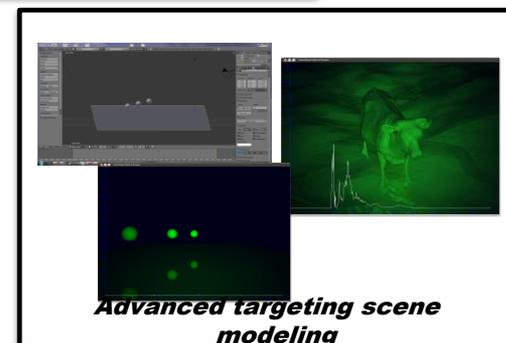
- Range profile, feature extraction
- Range vector envelope correlation techniques



Miniature Software Defined Sensors



Novel Signal Processing Techniques



Advanced targeting scene modeling



2007 Award Recipient

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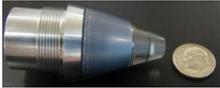


M789 / XM799 Prox Sensor

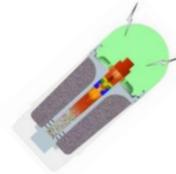


Development of autonomous airburst capability for the LW30 apache weapon system

- Custom Power Source
- Custom MMIC transceiver
- Custom signal processor
- Custom antenna designs
- Integration, Design, Fabrication, and Test in-house



XM1112 Airburst Non-Lethal Munition (ANLM)



Direct Fire proximity sensor technology

- Custom signal processor, MMIC transceiver, and power source
- Initial demonstrations and tactical electronics design completed in-house
- Currently in Developmental Test

Small Arms Grenade Munition (SAGM)



Development of a miniaturized defilade detection prox sensor system

- Developed using government owned technology
- Defilade detection to support PM MAS's Increased Range Anti-Personnel (IRAP) program
- Integration with custom battery and MEMS based fuze

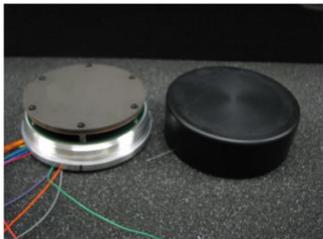
Precision Acquisition Weapon System (PAWS)



Proximity sensor for a lethal UAS

- Design and Fabrication
- Evaluation and Qualification
- Field Test Support
- Completed in-house at ARDEC

ORIOLE Medium Altitude Prox Sensor



- Detection of tree canopy at 150m
- Custom high power transceiver section
- Custom antenna sub-system design
- FPGA based software defined sensor
- Directional Doppler Ratio Ranging Firmware developed in-house
- All design, fabrication, and qualification completed in-house

M782 Multi-Option Fuze for Artillery (MOFA)



Integrated Sensor and Fuze electronics

- Custom signal processor, MMIC transceiver, and power source
- Initial demonstrations and designs completed in-house
- Production Item

M734A1 Multi-Option Fuze for Mortars (MOFM)



Integrated Sensor and Fuze electronics

- Custom signal processor, MMIC transceiver, and power source
- Initial demonstrations and designs completed in-house
- Production Item



The Armament Research, Development & Engineering Center

Innovative Armaments Solutions for Today and Tomorrow



Micro-Electro-Mechanical Systems (MEMS) Safe & Arm (S&A) and G-Switch

- Small Size
 - Increased payload potential
 - Improved warhead potential
 - Volume to add advanced sensors
- Reduced tolerances on no-arm/arm distances
- Command arm function and optional Self-Destruct
- Gun Hardened
 - 2,000 to 100,000g Setback
 - 2,800 to 60,000 RPM Spin
- Enabling technology for adv. Prox, W/H, UAS, etc.
- Broad application across munitions
- Disruptive to technology base (clockworks)
- TRL 6 (low-velocity 40mm), now in Mfg. Facilitization



Lid
Initiator Board
Cover
Mechanism
Output Base
Metal Can



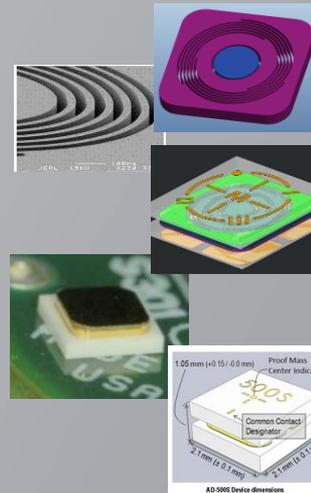
Robotic Micro-Assembly

- Machine vision inspection
- Kitted parts
- Two-micron placement accuracy



ONYX500 Platform inspecting and kitting parts

MEMS S&A Packaged, showing size reduction



MEMS G-Switches

- 46,000 impact switches produced
- 2 x 2 mm footprint
- Multi-axis sensitivity
- 250-, 500-, and 1000-G available
- Spin switch configuration available

Multi-Threshold Impact Characterization Switch

- 4 x 4 mm footprint
- Distinguish hard/soft target impact

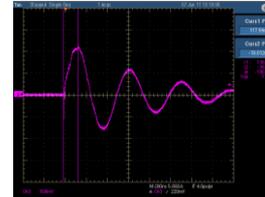
Integrating G-Switch

- Setback acceleration sensor

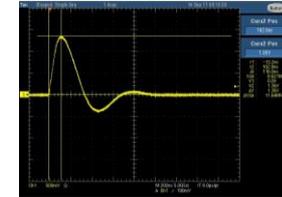


Electronic Safe and Arm Technologies

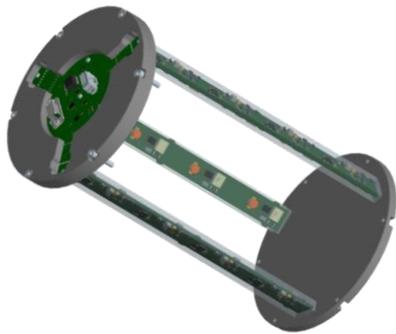
- *Low Cost Components*
 - Low cost ceramic capacitors
 - Alternative High Voltage switch technologies
 - Custom flyback transformers
 - Non-magnetic transformers



High Cost Components Current Discharge



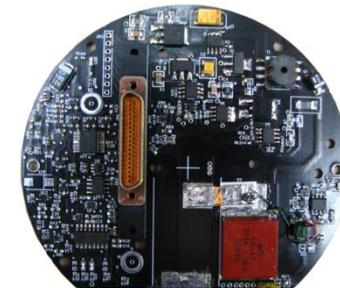
Low Cost Components Current Discharge



Networked Sequential Fireset (NSF) for Artillery

- *Multi-point Initiation*
 - High speed sequential initiation for scalable/tailorable warhead effects
 - Advanced initiation techniques for sustainment of detonation velocity in highly insensitive energetic materials
 - Highly simultaneous multi-point solutions for initiation of IM fills

- *Advanced ESAD Solutions*
 - Kinetic Energy Active Protection System (KE APS)
 - Lethal UAV
 - Precision Air Dropped Guided Mortar (PADGM)



KE APS Countermeasure ESAD





Inductive Setter Development Success Stories



Problem Statement:

Advanced fuzes and guided munitions require complex data input for varied mission requirements.

Team:

PM-CAS

PM-Excalibur

PM-Mortars

PM-TAS

TRADOC-Field Artillery School, Ft. Sill

ARDEC: Setter design and software development; initial production

Army Research Labs: Machining and fabrication services

Raytheon Missile Systems: Supported the development of the inductive interface between EPIAFS and Excalibur

L3: Produced PIAFS

ATK: Produced PIAFS and EPIAFS

Sechan Electronics: Produced EPIAFS

Portable Inductive Artillery Fuze Setter (PIAFS):

PM-CAS sponsored the development of a device to field that would set STANAG 4369 inductively set fuzes, specifically the M762 and M782 (Multi-Option Fuze for Artillery, MOFA). ARDEC fabricated approximately 40 initial units in house.



Enhanced Portable Inductive Artillery Fuze Setter (EPIAFS):

The EPIAFS was a product improvement to the PIAFS system that added the capability to communicate with and be controlled by a host fire control system and to set programmable guided munitions. ARDEC fabricated approximately 200 initial units in house to support development, qualification and initial fielding.

Improved Platform Integration Kit (iPIK):

The Urgent Material Release of the Accelerated Precision Mortar Initiative (APMI) needed the EPIAFS system but required the GPS receiver integrated with the PIK functionality. The iPIK was designed to fit this need. PM-TAS is beginning to use the iPIK for its platforms. ARDEC fabricated approximately 400 units in house.

Platforms:

Portable Excalibur Fire Control System (PEFCS)

M777A2 Towed Howitzer

M109A6 Paladin Self-Propelled Howitzer

Accelerated Precision Mortar Initiative (APMI) Urgent Material Release

Digitized M119A2 Towed Howitzer

2007 Army's Top 10 Greatest Inventions Winner

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Medium Caliber Power Sources

Medium Caliber applications present unique and challenging power requirements

- Fast Rise Time
- Energy Density
- High-G Survivability
- Long Shelf Life
- Operational Temperatures
- Form Factor



Current investments addressing technical challenges for the development of a small form factor liquid reserve battery to meet operational and performance requirements.



Target applications

- M789 LW30mm Proximity Sensor for Apache
- XM1158 Airburst Non-Lethal Munition
- Small Arms Grenade Munition

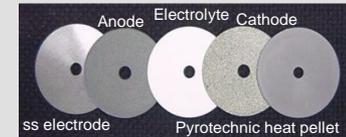


Thin Film Thermal Battery Electrode Fabrication

Traditional pressed pellet fabrication methods press powders into pellets.

Large presses with high force produce flat discs

- Components are fragile
- Geometry limitations – excess material
- Batch process



Transition to thin film manufacturing process

- Reduced limitations on electrode thickness, aspect ratio, and shape
- “Roll to Roll” manufacturing process – low cost
- Electrodes stamped out from continuous sheet
- More robust – flexible, less waste in manufacturing



Target applications

- Pushing long runtime applications for artillery (150s)
- Ideal for those applications that require excess material for pellet manufacture/handling
 - Short runtime applications (EAPS)
 - High Voltage
- Continuous production and scalability should reduce cost



ARDEC continues to seek industry and academia partnerships to explore next generation power sources to meet the increasing power demands for munitions and fuzing applications





Video



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- ARDEC Fuze Division Papers
 - Legacy Fuze Arming Time Study M549A1 and M550, Ms. Melissa Rhode
 - Proximity Sensor for LW30mm Munitions, Mr. Patrick Deluca
 - Multi-g-Threshold Metal MEMS Sensor for Target Discrimination, Mr. Mike Pica
 - Impact Sensitivity of off-Axis MEMS Impact Switch in High Spin Environment, Mr. Mike Pica
- Other ARDEC Papers
 - Advances in Energetic Direct Write Technologies for Fuze Applications, Mr. Jeffrey Kraft
 - Modeling and Simulation of Circuit Board with COTS Resistors under High G load, Dr. Jennifer Cordes
 - Effects of Glass Transition on structural integrity of gun launched electronics, Dr. Aisha Haynes
 - Initiation Train Analysis via Penalty Testing, Mr. Erik Wrobel
 - Printing Fuze Components, Dr. Brian Fuchs





- Other Papers that ARDEC Fuze Division has an active role in:
 - Small Arms Grenade Munition Proximity Sensor, EDC Corp, Mr. Steve Stephey
 - Reliability of MEMS explosive Train Interfaces, NSWC IHEODTD, Mr. Daniel Pines
 - Distributed Embedded Fuzing System, USAF AFRL, 2d Lt Michael Seacord
 - RF Range Simulator, EDC, Mr. John Gautz
 - Accelerated Distributed Target Simulation for Adv Fuze Processor Development, Univ of Florida, Mr. Charles Overman
 - 40mm MEMSAD Fuze, ATK, Mr. John Krafcik
 - Stinger Missile Target Detecting Device, EDC, Mr. Don Atkins





- **QUESTIONS?**

